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SUBJECT: REPORT ON JULY 10-11 IEA SUBGROUP MEETING ON
CONSERVATION

1. THE FOLLOWING IS A BRIEF REPORT OF THE MAJOR ITEMS
DISCUSSED AT JULY 10-11 CONSERVATION MEETING. THE U.S.
CHAIRMAN OF THE SUBGROUP WILL CIRCULATE A MORE COMPLETE
REPORT NEXT WEEK.

2. THE SUB-GROUP DISCUSSED THE CHAIRMAN'S DRAFT
REPORT ON THE REVIEW OF NATIONAL CONSERVATION PROGRAMS.
THE DRAFT REPORT WILL BE ALTERED SLIGHTLY, MAINLY TO
EXPAND THE INTRODUCTION TO CONTAIN AN INDICATIVE LIST OF
ENERGY CONSERVATION MEASURES OF GENERAL APPLICABILITY.
THE REPORT WILL RECOMMEND THAT MEMBER GOVERNMENTS GIVE
THESE MEASURES SERIOUS CONSIDERATION.

3. THE INITIAL EVALUATIONS OF EACH OF THE COUNTRY'S
CONSERVATION PROGRAMS WAS ALSO REVIEWED, UPDATED, AND PUT
IN FINAL FORM.

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4. THE UK/DANISH NOTE, ON THE DEFINITION OF ENERGY CONSERVATION, WAS ALSO FINALIZED AND WILL BE CIRCULATED SOON BY THE SECRETARIAT.

5. TURKEY AND NEW ZEALAND'S ENERGY CONSERVATION PROGRAMS WERE REVIEWED FOR THE FIRST TIME.

6. MEMBER NATIONS DECIDED THAT A ONE-TIME-ONLY EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION BETWEEN EXPERTS ON PUBLICITY FOR ENERGY CONSERVATION WOULD BE HELPFUL TO THE AGENCY'S PROGRAM. THE UK VOLUNTEERED TO CHAIR THE MEETING, WHICH WILL BE SCHEDULED IN SEPTEMBER OR OCTOBER.

7. THE CHAIRMAN'S REPORT WILL RECOMMEND TO THE SLT THAT THE GOVERNING BOARD BE GIVEN AN OPTION REGARDING CONSERVATION GOALS FOR 1976 AND 1977. THE GB CAN CHOOSE BETWEEN SETTING A GOAL BASED ON THE TOTAL DEMAND ESTIMATES PROVIDED BY MEMBER NATIONS AND COLLATED IN IEA/WP(75)9, 2ND REVISION, OR THEY CAN CHOOSE A TOUGHER GOAL SOMEWHAT BELOW THOSE FIGURES. THE REPORT WILL RECOMMEND THAT TWO MEASURES OF ENERGY CONSERVATION BE USED FOR EXTERNAL PRESENTATION; OIL IMPORTS AND TOTAL PRIMARY ENERGY. THE BASE LINE FOR MEASURING PROGRESS IN ENERGY CONSERVATION WILL BE THE PERIOD 1968-73. THE CONSERVATION EFFECTS WILL BE PRESENTED IN TERMS OF THE REDUCTION IN THE GROWTH OF OIL IMPORTS AND TOTAL PRIMARY ENERGY AND IN THE PERCENT REDUCTION BELOW THE FORECASTED USE THAT WOULD HAVE OCCURRED IN THE ABSENCE OF THE CONSERVATION PROGRAM. IT WAS DECIDED THAT INDIVIDUAL COUNTRY CONSERVATION GOALS WOULD NOT BE SET, RATHER ONLY AN AGGREGATE GOAL FOR THE AGENCY AS A WHOLE WOULD BE ANNOUNCED.

8. THE CHAIRMAN SET OCTOBER OR NOVEMBER FOR THE NEXT MEETING OF THE GROUP. IN THE INTERIM HE WILL AWAIT COMMENTS ON HIS REPORT AND FURTHER DIRECTIONS FROM THE SLT. ADDITIONALLY, IT WAS ANTICIPATED THAT MEETINGS IN APRIL AND JULY NEXT YEAR WOULD BE REQUIRED FOR THE REVIEW OF NATIONAL PROGRAMS.

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